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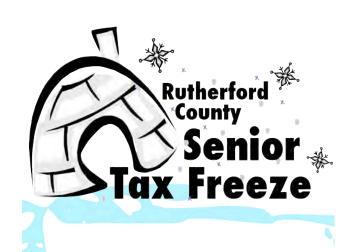
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State of Tennessee and Rutherford County

Property
Tax Freeze
Information



What is a tax freeze and how does it work?

A program adopted by
Rutherford County in
which qualified homeowners age 65 and older
can "freeze" the tax due
on their property at the

amount for the year they qualify.

"If" your property is sold or you no longer qualify for the tax freeze, the property is taxed at the current value and current rate.

If an improvement is made to the property (remodeled/upgraded) on which the tax is frozen, the frozen amount will increase with the added value.

The maximum land area that can be frozen is five (5) acres.

The income limit will be recalculated each year. Reapplication *must* be made each year to remain in the program.

Tax Freeze only applies to your primary residence.



Eligibility Requirements:

- ✓ Must be 65 or older on or before December 31, 2009
- ✓ Income Limit for applicant, spouse *and* all others on deed is \$36,080 for 2008

Required Documents:

- **☑** 2008 Federal Income Tax Return
- ✓ W-2's and 1099's from all sources of income The same forms used to prepare your tax return. Pensions, Retirement Income, Veterans Benefits, Dividends, etc.
- ✓ 2008 Social Security Benefit Statement
- ✓ Medicare Card *or* Drivers License *or* a Certified Birth Certificate
- ✓ Voter registration card *or* current utility bill
- ✓ Trust (if applicable)
- ✓ Title or Bill of Sale for Mobile Home

 Only applies if your primary residence is
 a mobile home.
- **☑** Death Certificate for Deceased Spouse

Once you have these documents call and schedule an appointment.

Questions? Please Call (615)898-7705

Schedule Your Appointment:

Contact the Rutherford County Trustee's Office to schedule an appointment and discuss all of the documents required. Phone: (615) 898-7705

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00-4:30

When do I apply?

Application must be made before
April 5th, 2010 to qualify for the 2009
property tax freeze. However, you are
encouraged to apply early.

Where do I apply?

Rutherford County Trustee's Office located in the Historic Courthouse in the center of the Murfreesboro Square, Room 102.



Frequently Asked Questions:

Will there be a lien on my property?

No, there is not a lien created as a result of the tax freeze.

Do I have to pay taxes?
Yes, you are still responsible for paying the property taxes due.

No, only your primary residence is eligible for the tax freeze.

